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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Bernardino De MARTINO

Application No.: 09/807,510

Filed: April 16, 2001

For: ANTI-DEFLAGRATING
OPERATING ACTUATOR

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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AMENDMENT

In reply to an Office Action dated August 30, 2002, the period for response having been extended for one month by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please enter the substitute specification filed herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

1.125. Applicant submits that entry of the substitute specification does not introduce new matter. A marked-up version of the substitute specification showing all of the changes to the originally filed specification is enclosed.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 3, 5, and 9-11, amend claims 1, 4, 6, 7, and 8, and add new claims 12-15 as follows: